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## CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/011,848
Filing Date	12/04/2001
Examiner Name	Ellen E. KIM
First Named Inventor	Thomas M. Canty
Group Art Unit	2874
Attorney Docket Number	5011.1005

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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[X] Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.

Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.

[X] No fee for additional claims is required.

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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 23, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.